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## REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION (35 U.S.C. 254) FOR PATENT OFFICE MISTAKE

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that a certificate of correction be issued to correct a mistake in the patent as printed (i.e. printing error), which appears in claim 13 of the patent. The printing error is set out hereafter. As inspection reveals the reader of the patent will likely be unable to figure out the printing errors, rendering the respective claim confusing to a reader. Due to the existence of the foregoing serious printing error, applicant also took note of and includes herein a minor printing error as well, which is believed appropriate for the certificate of correction.

This request is accompanied by a properly completed form SB/44, submitted in duplicate.

I refer to the Amendment dated May 3, 2004 and to the subsequent Examiner's amendment dated May 21, 2004.

There is an inarticulate phrase appearing in claim 13 (as printed) that reads "for each said in." The phrase should in fact read as presented at page 7 line 15 of the May 3<sup>rd</sup> amendment in application claim 15, as: --for each said ELISA process in --.

The foregoing error appears in CLAIM 13 as printed, which corresponds to claim 15 of the application. The foregoing is an error that affects the meaning of the claim and renders the claim ambiguous. The foregoing is solely the responsibility of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

At page 7 of the May 3<sup>rd</sup> amendment, the text that bridges the space between line 10 and line 15 of claim 15, which reads "xxxx make a dependent claim by modifying the coating of a "group" should be deleted. The foregoing error appears in CLAIM 13 as printed, which corresponds to claim 15 of the application. The included inarticulate statement is a work note, does not modify or add anything to the content of the claim, and does not change the meaning of the claim. The inarticulate phrase should be recognized as an obvious printing error. The presence of that error is considered a joint contribution with the Patent Office for neglecting to note and omit the work note.

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 18, delete lines 11 and 12, which reads "xxxx make a dependent claim by modifying the coating of a "group"; Column 18 line 13 "for each said in" should read – -for each said ELISA process in--.

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